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TAGS: CASC, ES (SULLIVAN, JOHN J.)

SUBJECT: W/W JOHN J. SULLIVAN

REF: SAN SALVADOR 7558

1. ON DECEMBER 28, 1980, JOURNALIST JOHN J. SULLIVAN, REPORTER FOR HUSTLER MAGAZINE, DISAPPEARED FROM SEERATON HOTEL IN SAN SALVADOR AND HAS NOT BEEN SEEN OR HEARD SINCE.

2. EMBASSY, AT THE REQUEST OF SULLIVAN FAMILY, HAS BEEN RUNNING AN ADVERTISEMENT IN LOCAL PAPERS OFFERING REWARD FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT.

3. ON 10/6/81, EMBASSY RECEIVED A CALL FROM A [REDACTED] A HONDURAN CITIZEN. ADDRESS [REDACTED] HONDURAS. TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] CLAIMED THAT AN AMERICAN CALLING HIMSELF [REDACTED] HAS BEEN LIVING OPENLY IN EL PROGRESO FOR MONTHS.

ACCORDING TO MS. [REDACTED] RESEMBLES JOHN SULLIVAN.

4. POST WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR INVESTIGATING [REDACTED] WILLIAM AND INFORMING US OF YOUR FINDINGS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5. FYI: DESCRIPTION OF JOHN SULLIVAN IS: WHITE MALE, 6 FEET TALL.

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180 POUNDS, BRANDED, BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR.

6. EMBASSY WILL POUCE PHOTO OF JOHN SULLIVAN TO YOU TODAY.

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